Statement by Pakistan's Prime Minister on the right of self-determination for the people of Jammu and Kashmir

212. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister of Pakistan has recently stated that there will be no compromise with India on the question of the right of self-determination for the people of Jammu and Kashmir;

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government on such comments;

(c) whether Government propose to take up the issue with the Pak Government; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Slanted and motivated statements cannot obscure facts of the case but Jammu & Kashmir is and will always remain an integral part of India.

(c) and (d) India has made its position clearly known to the Pakistani authorities.

Exodus of minorities from J & K

213. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a delegation of Kashmiri Hindus had met the Prime Minister during January this year and apprised the position of atrocities on them by subversives in the Valley;

(b) whether Government are aware that a large number of members of minority community are leaving J & K due to rear and recent disturbances in the State;

(c) if so, whether Government have since taken any steps to bring normalcy in the State and resettle those who have left the State; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and what further steps Government propose to take to defuse the activities of terrorists/ JKLF activists in the State?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) The police administration has been re-vamped and is being made more effective. Additional police force has been inducted into the Valley. Steps have been taken to invigorate the intelligence agencies. To inculcate confidence arrangements have been made that the people may stay in protected camps in the Valley and from there may visit their homes once or twice a week.

Infiltration into Jammu and Kashmir

214. SHRI P. N. SUKUL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state: .. ..

(a) whether there were some incidents of Pakistan-trained militants infiltrating into Jammu and Kashmir and the mobs crossing over in recent weeks and indulging in acts of violence;

(b) whether there are also reports of Pro-Pakistan elements joining hands with those infiltrators and causing disturbances in the State; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED): (a) On 5th February, 1990